प्रतिशत इस प्रकार है :

हिन्दी . . .	40.4
अंग्रेजी . . .	33.4
अन्य भारतीय भाषाएं . .	26.2

चूंकि देश में ऐसे आकाशवाणी केन्द्रों की संख्या बहुत अधिक है, जहां से विभिन्न भाषाओं में कार्यक्रम प्रसारित किए जाते हैं, अतः एक स्थान पर इस प्रकार की सूचना नहीं रखी जाती।

(ख) जी, हां ।

(ग) वर्ष 1990 के दौरान संस्कृत में दूरदर्शन से लगभग 23 घंटे के तथा आकाशवाणी से लगभग 400 घंटे के कार्यक्रम प्रसारित किए गए ।

(घ) यद्यपि, आकाशवाणी और दूरदर्शन द्वारा केवल सम्प्रेषण की दृष्टि से विभिन्न भाषाओं और बोलियों में कार्यक्रम प्रसारित किए जाते हैं तथापि यह नहीं है कि इन माध्यमों द्वारा संस्कृत में कार्यक्रम प्रसारित किए जाने से श्रोताओं/दर्शकों में इस भाषा के बारे में रुचि बढ़ेगी ।

(ङ) जी, नहीं ।

(च) यह सवाल पैदा ही नहीं होता।

Thorium deposits in Kerala

*H7. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Wiil the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are vast deposits of Thorium on the sea beaches of Kerala; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to utilise this rescource?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) It is well known that thorium as a part of monozite is found in the beach Sands of Kerala. The Indian Rare Earths (IRE) and other companies process the sand for extraction of ilme-nite and rutile and other by products for export. The thorium component of sand is processed by the plant of the Indian Rare Earths Limited at Alwaye and stored for future use in the atomic energy programme. Large scale use of thorium however, requires introduction of fast reactors to sifinificantly use fhroium for energy production. This also requires initial inventory of plutonium which will be provided by the pressurised heavy water reactors under operation and construction in this decade. It is likely that significant quantity of thorium will be used for energy production in the early part of the next century.

Setting up of a Fertilizer Plant at Babrala (U.P.)

*118. DR. Z. A. AHMAD:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been inordinate delay in setting up the proposed fertili zer plant at Babrala in Uttar Pradesh which was to be implemented by Tata Chemicals Limited (TCL);

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government for the early completion of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The delays are primarly attributable to the promoter who took about 3 years to finalise the product pattern and the company which would implement the project. There were also some delays in giving Government clearances needed for implementing the project;

(c) All clearances have since been given and the promoters aked to expedite